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AMENDMENT

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Dear Sirs:

In response to the Official Action mailed on May 9, 2006, in connection with the above-identified patent application, please consider the following amendments and remarks. Response to the Office Action is due on August 9, 2006.

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Amendments to the claims begin on page 3.

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